

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Debby Barrett, on January 14, 2011 at 3:00 PM, in Room 422 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Sen. Debby Barrett, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Greg Hinkle, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Christine Kaufmann (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)  
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)  
Sen. Jim Peterson (R)  
Sen. Donald J. Steinbeisser (R)  
Sen. Mitch Tropila (D)  
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Verdell Jackson (R)  
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)  
Sen. Edward Walker (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Kevin McCue, Committee Secretary  
Sonja Nowakowski, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 89, 1/10/2011; SB 38, 1/5/2011; SB 100, 1/5/2011

**HEARING ON SB 89**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:03:42 Sen. Art Wittich (R), SD 35, opened the hearing on SB 89, Reduce DEQ and local sanitation review times.

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a01\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:09:44 Dustin Stewart, Executive Director, Montana Building Industry Association (MBIA)

00:12:05 Mike Hughes, Chairman, Montana Homebuilders Association (MHA)

00:15:35 Terry Threlkeld, Engineer from Bozeman

00:19:29 Jack Walsh, Helena Building Industry Association (HBIA)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:20:10 Jim Carlson, Director of Environmental Health, Missoula County Health Department

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a03\)](#)

00:26:36 Gordon Morris, representing Lewis & Clark County

00:27:06 Steve Kilbreath, Section Supervisor for the Subdivision Section, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a04\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(nas11a06\)](#)

00:36:41 Frank Preskar, Environmental Programs Manager, Lewis and Clark County Environmental Services

00:39:39 Sheryl Wood, representing the Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

00:41:28 Tim Read, Mineral County Sanitation Department

00:44:22 Denise Moldroski, Gallatin County-City Health Department

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:45:02 Sen. Keane

00:45:38 Steve Kilbreath, DEQ

00:45:50 Tim Read

00:47:01 Sen. Keane

00:47:18 Dustin Stewart, MBIA

00:50:42 Sen. Tropila

00:50:51 Jim Carlson, Missoula County Health Department

00:52:22 Sen. Tropila

00:52:38 Steve Kilbreath

00:53:30 Sen. Tropila

00:53:52     Dustin Stewart  
00:55:19     Sen. Hamlett  
00:55:47     Steve Kilbreath  
01:00:32     Sen. Barrett  
01:01:05     Sheryl Wood, MACo

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:01:42     Sen. Wittich

**HEARING ON SB 38**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:05:59     Sen. Bob Hawks (D), SD 33, opened the hearing on SB 38, Revise laws related to state land trust interest and income revenue.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:10:00     Tom Schultz, Administrator of the Trust Land Management Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC)

[EXHIBIT](#)(nas11a07)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:13:17     Sen. Brenden  
01:13:45     Tom Schultz, DNRC

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:17:31     Sen. Hawks

**HEARING ON SB 100**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:18:21     Sen. Jim Shockley (R), SD 45, opened the hearing on SB 100, Disposition of damage awards for state land leases.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

None

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:19:38      Sen. Shockley

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment:  
01:20:00

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Kevin McCue, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([nas11aad.pdf](#))**